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SPI'TEFULLY, *adv.* [from *spiteful*.] Maliciously; malignantly.
Twice false Evadne, *spitefully* forsworn!
That fatal beast like this it would have torn! *Waller.*

SPI'FUL, *adj.* [from *spite*.] Angry; peevish; fretful; melancholy.
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That want their leader, scatter up and down;
Myself have calm'd their *spiteful* mutiny. *Shak. H. VI.*
The cheerful soldiers, with new stores supply'd,
Now long to execute their *spiteful* will. *Dryden.*

SPI'FULNESS, *n. f.* [from *spiteful*.] Malice; malignity; desire of vexing.

It looks more like *spitefulness* and ill-nature, than a diligent search after truth. *Keil against Burnet.*

SPI'TED, *adj.* [from *spit*.] Shot out into length.
Whether the head of a deer, that by age is more *spitted*,
may be brought again to be more branched. *Bacon.*

SPI'TTER, *n. f.* [from *spit*.]
1. One who puts meat on a spit.
2. One who spits with his mouth.

SPI'TTLE, *n. f.* [Corrupted from *hospital*, and therefore better written *spital*, or *spital*.] Hospital. It is still retained in Scotland.

To the *spittle* go,
And from the powd'ring tub of infamy
Fetch forth the lazar kite of Creffid's kind. *Shak. H. V.*
This is it

That makes the waned widow wed again;
She whom the *spittle* house, and ulcerous sores,
Would cast the gorge at, this embalms and spices
To th' April-day again. *Shak. Timon.*

Cure the *spittle* world of maladies. *Cleveland.*

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SPL'ENED, *adj.* [from *spleen*.] Deprived of the spleen.
Animals *splened* grow fallacious.

SPL'ENUL, *adj.* [from *spleen*.] Angry; peevish; fretful; melancholy.

The commons, like an angry hive of bees,
That want their leader, scatter up and down;
Myself have calm'd their *splenu* mutiny. *Shak. H. VI.*

The cheerful soldiers, with new stores supply'd,
Now long to execute their *splenu* will. *Dryden.*

If you drink tea upon a promontory that overhangs the sea, the whistling of the wind is better music to contented minds than the opera to the *splenu*.

SPL'ENLESS, *adj.* [from *spleen*.] Kind; gentle; mild; cheerful.

Mean time flew our ships, and freight we fetcht
The fyren's ile; a *splenu* wind to stretch
Her wings to wait us, and so urg'd our keel. *Chapman.*

SPL'ENWORT, *n. f.* [from *spleen* and *wort*.] Miltwaste. A plant.

The leaves and fruit are like those of the fern; but the pinule are cared at their basis. *Miller.*

Safe paid the gnome through this fantastick band,
A branch of healing *splenu* in his hand. *Pope.*

SPL'ENY, *adj.* [from *spleen*.] Angry; peevish.

What though I know her virtuous,
And well deserving; yet I know her for
A *splenu* Lutheran, and not wholesome to
Our cause. *Shak. Henry VIII.*

SPL'ENDENT, *adj.* [from *splendens*, Latin.] Shining; glossy; having lustre.

They assigned them names from some remarkable qualities, that is very observable in their red and *splendent* planets. *Bacon.*

Metallick substances may, by reason of their great density, reflect all the light incident upon them, and so be as opaque and *splendent* as it's possible for any body to be. *Newton.*

SPL'ENDID, *adj.* [from *splendens*, Latin.] Shiny; magnificent; sumptuous; pompous.

Unacceptable, though in heav'n, our state
Of *splendid* vassalage. *Milton.*

Deep in a rich alcove the prince was laid,
And slept beneath the pompous colonade;
Fast by his side Piffitrus lay spread,
In age his equal, on a *splendid* bed. *Pope's Odyssey.*

SPL'ENDIDLY, *adv.* [from *splendid*.] Magnificently; sumptuously; pompously.

Their condition, though it look *splendidly*, yet when you handle it on all sides, it will prick your fingers. *Taylor.*

You will not admit you live *splendidly*, yet it cannot be denied but that you live neatly and elegantly. *Mare.*

How he lives and eats,
How largely gives, how *splendidly* he treats. *Dryden.*

He, of the royal store
Splendidly frugal, fits whole nights devoid
Of sweet repose. *Philips.*

SPL'ENDOUR, *n. f.* [from *splendens*, French; *splendour*, Latin.]

1. Lustre; power of shining.

Splendour hath a degree of whiteness, especially if there be a little repercussion; for a looking-glass, with the steel behind, looketh whiter than glass simple. *Bacon's Natural History.*

The dignity of gold above silver is not much; the *splendour* is alike, and more pleasing to some eyes, as in cloth of silver. *Bacon's Phys. Remarti.*

The first symptoms are a chiliness, a certain *splendour* or shining in the eyes, with a little moisture. *Arbutnot.*

2. Magnificence; pomp.

Romulus, being to give laws to his new Romans, found no better way to procure an esteem and reverence to them, than by first procuring it to himself by *splendour* of habit and retinue. *South's Sermons.*

This use alone that sanctifies expense,
And *splendour* borrows all her rays from sense. *Pope.*

SPL'ENETICK, *adj.* [from *splenetique*, French.] Troubled with the spleen; fretful; peevish.

Horace purged himself from these *splenetick* reflections in odes and epodes, before he undertook his satyrs. *Dryden.*

This daughter silently lowers, t'other steals a kind look at you, a third is exactly well behaved, and a fourth a *splenetick*. *Waller.*

You humour me when I am sick;
Why not when I am *splenetick*? *Pope.*

SPL'ENICK, *adj.* [from *splenetique*, French; *splenu*, Latin.] Belonging to the spleen.

Suppose the spleen obstructed in its lower parts and *splenu* anch, a potent heat causeth the orgasmus to boil. *Harsy.*

The *splenu* vein hath divers cells opening into it near its extremities in human bodies; but in quadrupeds the cells open into the trunks of the *splenu* veins. *Ray or the Creation.*

SPL'ENISH, *adj.* [from *splenu*.] Fretful; peevish.

Yourself you must engage,
Somewhat to cool your *splenu* rage,
Your grievous thirst, and to allvage,
That first you drink this liquor. *Dryden.*

SPL'ENITIVE, *adj.* [from *splenu*.] Hot; fiery; passionate. Not in use.

Take thy fingers from my throat;
For though I am not *splenu* and rath,
Yet I have in me something dangerous. *Shak. Hamlet.*

SPL'ENT, *n. f.* [Or perhaps *splint*; *spinella*, Italian.]

Splens is a callous hard substance, or an insensible swelling, which breeds on or adheres to the shank-bone, and when it grows big spoils the shape of the leg. When there is but one, it is called a single *splint*; but when there is another opposite to it on the outside of the shank-bone, it is called a pegged or pinned *splint*. *Farris's Dict.*

To *SPLICE*, *v. a.* [from *splint*, Dutch; *spica*, Latin.] To join the two ends of a rope without a knot.

SPLINT, *n. f.* [from *splint*, Dutch.] A thin piece of wood or other matter used by surgeons to hold the bone newly set in its place.

The ancients, after the seventh day, used *splints*, which not only kept the members steady, but straight; and of these some are made of tin, others of scabbard and wood, sowed up in linnen cloths. *Wyseman's Surgery.*

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If storms arise and clouds grow black,
If the malk *spits*, and threaten wrack? *Dryden.*

The road that to the lungs this store transmits,
Into unnumber'd narrow channels *spits*. *Blackmore.*

Each had a gravity would make you *spit*,
And thook his head at M—y as a wit. *Pope*